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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Koji Oida

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For: NOVEL THROMBOMODULIN
EXPRESSION PROMOTERS

Examiner: B. Y. S. Kwon

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed December 18, 2007, Applicant hereby elects Group I, directed to claims 1 and 2, drawn to a composition comprising HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor, for continued examination.

Additionally, Applicant elects as a preferred species (+)-(3R, 5S, 6E)-7-[2-cyclopropyl-4-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-quinolinyl]-3,5-dihydroxy-6-heptenoic acid or its salt. Claim 2 recites and is readable on the elected species.

The afore-mentioned elections are being made solely to comply with, and be fully responsive to, the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action. The right to file one or more divisional applications on non-elected subject matter is reserved.

Early and favorable examination is requested.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND FEE AUTHORIZATION

Applicant requests a one (1) month extension of time for filing the within response. The extension fee and any other applicable fees should be charged to our Deposit Account, No. 04-1105, Reference 61800(71526). Any overpayment should be credited to said Deposit Account.

Dated: February 14, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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